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Sub: - Revised Surrender and Rehabilitation Scheme of Government of Odisha for Left Wing Extremists

S.R.O.No.1790/2025 –In order to wean away the misguided youth, who have joined the Communist Party of India (Maoist) and its frontal organizations, and bring them back to mainstream and rehabilitate them, the State Government had approved a Scheme for Surrender and Rehabilitation of Left Wing Extremists vide Home Department Notification No.2756/C., dated the 20th June, 2006, a revised Scheme vide Notification No.484/C., dated the 21st February, 2012 and a revised Scheme vide Notification No. 559/C., dated the 4th March, 2014. In the meantime, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India have issued revised guidelines vide letter No. II-18015/12/2022-LWE-III, dated the 29th August, 2022 for Surrender and Rehabilitation of Left Wing Extremists with financial assistance and provision for employment and entrepreneurial opportunity to the surrendered Naxalites under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme.

Now, in order to wean away the misguided youth, who have joined the Communist Party of India (Maoist) and its frontal organizations, the hardcore LWE cadres who have strayed into the fold of LWE movement and now find themselves trapped in that net and to ensure that the LWE cadres who surrender do not find it attractive to join the LWE movement, to bring them back to mainstream and rehabilitate them, and in order to dovetail the provisions of the Central Scheme into the State Scheme and make it attractive the State Government have decided to revise its scheme as follows.

1. Objectives:

The objective of the Surrender and Rehabilitation Policy is to contain and eradicate Left Wing Extremism in the State by weaning away the hardcore LWE cadres / Naxalites / Maoists and youth, who have strayed into the fold of Left-Wing Extremism. The Policy also

aims at ensuring that Naxalites, who surrender, do not revert to extremism by providing them gainful employment and entrepreneurial opportunities. The scheme also seeks to discourage tactical surrenders by such elements, who try to make use of the benefits extended by the Government under this Policy, to further their interest.

2. Definition:

i. "Left Wing Extremists" / "Naxalites" / “Maoists” / "Militants" mean the cadres or / and members or / and activists / or / and operatives of those organization (s) / outfit (s), which have been declared unlawful, or, otherwise banned by the State Government under Section 16 of The Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1908 or by Government of India under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967, as the case may be.

ii. “State Government” means the Government of Odisha.

iii. “Committee” means the Screening – cum – Rehabilitation Committee.

iv. “Rehabilitation Officer” means the Rehabilitation Officer, specifically designated by the Government in Home Department for the Surrender and Rehabilitation Policy.

v. “Surrender & Rehabilitation Officer (S&RO)” means Addl. D.G of Police (ANO), Odisha/ I.G. of Police(Operations), Odisha.

vi. “District Nodal Officer” means the Superintendent of Police of the concerned district in which the surrender takes place.

vii. Reference to "he" or "his" shall mean "she" or "her" also.

3.

i. **Eligibility:**

The Policy is applicable only to those Maoists / Left Wing Extremists / Naxals / militants of banned CPI (Maoist) and its banned frontal organizations or those who are known / identified cadres of the banned organizations (as explained in "Definition") surrendering with or without firearms.

ii. **Categorization:**

According to the new Revised Surrender and Rehabilitation Policy, the surrendered Left-Wing Extremist / Maoists / Naxals shall be categorized in two categories, as mentioned below:

a. **Higher ranked surrendered cadres (Category – A)**

i. Central Committee Secretary

ii. Central Military Commission Chief

iii. Politburo Member / Alternate Politburo Member

iv. Central Committee Member / Alternate Central Committee Member

v. State Committee Members or equivalent rank

vi. Special Zonal Committee Members or equivalent rank

vii. Regional Committee Members or equivalent rank

b. **Middle / Lower ranked surrendered cadres (Category – B)**

i. Divisional Committee Secretary or equivalent cadre

ii. Commander of Military Platoon or equivalent cadre

iii. Divisional Committee Members or equivalent cadre

iv. Dy. Commander of Military Platoon or equivalent cadre

v. Area Committee Secretary or equivalent cadres

vi. Area Committee Member or equivalent cadres

vii. Commander, Local Organizing Squad (LOS) / Local Guerrilla Squad (LGS) or equivalent cadres

viii. Dy. Commander of LGS / LOS or equivalent cadres

ix. Member, Special Teams like Technical Team / Intelligence Team / Action Team / Supply Team / Medical Team / Gana Natya Sangha and Central Regional Command or equivalent cadres and

x. Dalam Members / Cadres / Party Members or equivalent cadres

iii. **Criteria:**

Every surrendered naxal, to become eligible for assistance for rehabilitation under this policy, should satisfy the following criteria: -

a. He / she should reveal the real names and identity of the activists / members / associates of the extremist organization (s) in which he/she was working / operating.

b. He / she should reveal the real names of financiers, harbourers, couriers, etc. and other details of the organization including source of arms and ammunition, source of finance, supply chain, etc.

c. He / she should make a clear confession of the entire criminal acts committed by him / her.

d. He / she should give all relevant details of the violent incidents in which he / she had participated like the names of planner and other participants, firearms / ammunition or property looted, distribution of arms and disposal of the property etc.

e. He / she should make a public statement / confession of his voluntary surrender through the media.

4. Process of surrender:

a. An extremist / Maoist / naxalite can surrender before the Director, Intelligence / Addl. D.G of Police (ANO) **/** Inspector General of Police (Intelligence) / Commissioner of Police / Deputy Inspector General of Police (SIW / Intelligence) / Range Inspector

General of Police / Range Deputy Inspector General of Police / District Magistrate / Superintendent of Police / Deputy Commissioner of Police / Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) / Sub-Divisional Police Officer / Inspector In-Charge or Officer In-Charge of a Police Station and Central Armed Police Force (CAPF) officers not below the rank of Asst. Commandant and any other officer nominated by State Government in Home Department.

b. The Officer, on receiving the surrenderee, shall send the details, as revealed by the surrenderee (s), to the Surrender and Rehabilitation Officer (S&RO). The S&RO will get the antecedents of the concerned surrendered cadre (s) verified from authorities / organizations concerned.

c. The officer receiving the surrendered cadre (s) will provide immediate security to the surrenderee and send him / her to the Transit Camp or to the concerned District S.P in consultation with Addl. D.G of Police (ANO) or on his behalf D.I.G of Police (SIW).

d. The decision about the acceptance, or otherwise, of the surrenderee should be taken within 15 days by the Screening-*cum*-Rehabilitation Committee.

e. Each of the Central Armed Police Force (CAPF) deployed in the State will identify an officer of the rank of Deputy Inspector General of Police or equivalent officer as Nodal Officer for coordinating matters relating to surrender and rehabilitation of Naxalites.

f. Addl. D.G of Police (ANO)/ I.G. of Police(Operations), Odisha will be the designated Surrender and Rehabilitation Officer (S&RO) under the Policy.

g. Special Secretary, Home Department, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar, will be the designated Rehabilitation Officer under the Policy at the Government level to coordinate with all concerned departments for expeditious disbursement of the surrender and rehabilitation package.

h. Concerned District S.P will be the designated District Nodal Officer under the Policy for the security of the surrenderee and disbursal of the benefits of the Policy to the surrenderee (s).

5. **Procedure for screening / identification and rehabilitation of LWE cadres:**

The Screening-cum-Rehabilitation Committee consisting of the following officers will be involved in the process of screening, identification, and rehabilitation of surrendered LWE cadre (s): -

i. Addl. D.G of Police (ANO), Odisha/ I.G. of Police(Operations), Odisha, will act as the "Surrender and Rehabilitation Officer (S&R Officer) under the Policy.

ii. Special Secretary, Home Department, Government of Odisha.

iii. Concerned District S.P in which the surrender takes place.

iv. An officer of CAPF not below the rank Dy. Commadant.

Parameters of Screening procedure :

a. A cadre, who surrenders, should be a bona-fide LWE / CPI (Maoist) cadre, as defined as Para. 3 above and as corroborated by Special Intelligence Wing and / or concerned district S.P in which the surrender takes place, and should surrender in accordance with the Surrender and Rehabilitation Policy being implemented by the State Government.

b. The Surrender & Rehabilitation Officer (S&RO) designated by the State Government for the purpose i.e. Addl. D.G of Police (ANO), Odisha/ I.G. of Police(Operations), Odisha, should ensure that the surrendered cadre is a genuine LWE / CPI (Maoist) cadre.

c. On receipt of verification reports from the authorities / organizations concerned i.e. the concerned district Ss.P or and Special Intelligence Wing regarding the surrenderee and his / her activities, the Screening Committee headed by Surrender & Rehabilitation Officer will formally consider / screen the surrender of the cadre and if the surrenderee is found eligible and accepted for surrender as a bona-fide LWE / CPI (Maoist) cadre, transfer him / her to the rehabilitation camp or any Vocational Training Centre or to the district police in which he / she surrendered, as decided by the S&RO and the District Nodal Officer.

d. The surrenderee sent to a Rehabilitation Camp or Vocational Training Centre will be imparted training / vocation of his / her liking befitting his / her aptitude subject to eligibility. The State Government shall provide funds of monthly stipend to the S&R Officer latest by 5th of every month for disbursement.

e. The Screening-cum-Rehabilitation Committee shall clearly mention the category of surrenderee i.e. Higher ranked (Category – A) or Lower ranked (Category-B), as defined in Para 3 (ii) (a) and (b) and finalize the rehabilitation package for the surrenderee.

f. The Committee will scrutinize each case of surrender and finalize the rehabilitation package for each surrenderee by taking into consideration the following aspects:

i. Socio-economic background of the surrenderee.

ii. His / her age.

iii. His / her education and technical qualification.

iv. His / her preference for the kind of vocational training.

v. Viability of the rehabilitation package in his / her case.

6. Rehabilitation Process:

6.1. Special Secretary, Home Department will be the designated Rehabilitation Officer

(RO) for the rehabilitation of the surrenderee(s).

6.2. The RO will coordinate with all departments of the State Government for rehabilitation of the surrenderee by way of employment / self – employment by utilizing the financial grant provided under the Policy, if necessary.

6.3. **Procedure of Rehabilitation Package and Implementation:**

The Screening-*cum*-Rehabilitation Committee will sanction Rehabilitation Package according to the category of surrenderee, as defined in Para 3 (ii) (a) and (b).

a. After the surrenderee is thoroughly debriefed and examined and his / her eligibility is established, the Screening-*cum*-Rehabilitation Committee shall sanction the Rehabilitation Package.

b. A monthly statement on progress on rehabilitation package sanctioned shall be sent to the Government in Home Department by the S&RO.

c. The Rehabilitation Officer (RO) in Home Department shall coordinate with all concerned Department (s) of the Government for implementation of the recommendation of the Screening-*cum*-Rehabilitation Committee within the time line i.e. within one month of the surrender.

7. The Screening-*cum*-Rehabilitation Committee will meet on the recommendation of Surrender & Rehabilitation Officer (S&RO).

8. Rehabilitation Package:

The Rehabilitation Package for the surrenderee will consist of one or more or all the following benefits (for both Categories A & B except point No 8 (I), which will be different for Category – A and Category – B surrenderees).

I. **Surrenderees coming under Category – A**, shall be entitled to a financial Assistance up to Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only) depending on rank/ position and importance of the surrenderee on acceptance of his/her surrender. Out of this, amount up to Rs. 50,000/-will be given to him / her in cash to meet his immediate need. The remaining amount of Rs. 4,50,000/- will be deposited in Fixed Deposits in favor of the surrenderee and the District Nodal Officer. Out of this, an amount of Rs. 50,000/- will be 'released after one year subject to satisfactory conduct of the surrenderee to be certified by District S.P / District Nodal Officer and the balance amount of Rs. 4,00,000/- will be released / disbursed to the surrenderee after three years subject to satisfactory conduct of the surrenderee, to be certified by District S.P / District Nodal Officer. This money can also be utilized as collateral security / margin money against loans to be availed by the surrenderee from any Bank for seif-employment.

Surrenderees coming under Category – B shall be entitled to financial assistance up to Rs. 2,50,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand only). Out of this, amount of Rs 50,000/- will be given to him / her in cash to meet his / her immediate need. The remaining amount of Rs. 2,00,000/- will be deposited in Fixed Deposits in favor of surrenderee and the District Nodal Officer, out of which an amount of Rs. 50,000/- will be released after one year and paid to the surrenderee subject to satisfactory conduct of the surrenderee to be certified by District S.P / District Nodal Officer. The balance amount of Rs. 1,50,000/-will paid to the surrenderee after three years subject to satisfactory conduct of the surrenderee, to be certified by District S.P / District Nodal Officer. This money can also be utilized as collateral security/margin money against loans to be availed of by the surrenderee from any Bank for seif-employment.

II. If the surrenderee surrenders with weapons in working condition, live ammunition, and explosives, he / she will be entitled to the benefits calculated at the following rates: -

Sl. No.	Type of Arms and Ammunition	Amount
1	L. M.G	Rs. 4,95,000 /-
2	A.K-47 /Trichy Assault (TAR)	Rs. 3,30,000 /-
3	2" mortar	Rs. 2,75,000 /-
4	S. L. R. / Insas rifle	Rs. 1,65,000 /-
5	X95 Assault Rifle/MP-9 Tactical	Rs. 1,10,000 /-
6	.303 rifle	Rs. 82,500 /-
7	X-Caliber 5.56mm	Rs. 66,000 /-
8	UBGL Attachment	Rs. 44,000 /-
9	315 bore/12 bore gun/single short gun (company manufactured)	Rs. 33,000 /-
10	Glock Pistol 9mm	Rs. 27,500 /-
11	9mm carbine/pistol/revolver	Rs. 22,000 /-
12	wireless set	Rs.5500 /-
13	Remote device/IED	Rs. 3300 /-
14	Projector 13/16/Musket Rifle/ UBGL Sale	Rs. 2200 /-
15	Explosive substance	Rs.1100 /- (per kg)
16	Grenade / Gelatin Rods	Rs. 550 /-
17	All types of ammunition	Rs.55/-per ammunition

Irrespective of a naxalite surrendering without weapons or with weapons, Rs. 25,000/- incentive amount will be provided. This amount will be in addition to the compensation amount in exchange of the surrendered weapon.

III. Active surrendered naxalites carrying a reward of Rs. 5.00 lakhs or more will be given an additional lump sum amount of Rs. 10.00 lakh. This amount will be deposited as a fixed deposit in any bank of the district S.P in the name of the surrendered naxalite and the interest amount received from it will be given to them. After a period of 3 years from the date of fixed deposit, this amount will be given in lump sum to the surrendered naxalite subject to satisfactory behaviour and conduct of the surrendered naxal to be decided by the Surrender and Rehabilitation Committee on the recommendation of district S.P.

IV. Provision of a house under Antyodaya Gruha Yojana (AG) subject to condition that no separate grant will be provided under SRE and that the benefit be dovetailed through existing housing schemes. Since Maoist cadres mostly belong to extremely poor background having no landed property, in such cases where it may not be possible to allot / provide him / her a house under Antyodaya Gruha Yojana (AG) due to non-availability of recorded land in his / her name, cash equivalent will be provided strictly as per the provisions of the Odisha Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy, 2006 as variable from time to time. There shall be no separate valuation mechanism under the Surrender and Rehabilitation Guidelines for this.

V. One-time Marriage Incentive of Rs. 25,000/- only will be granted for his / her marriage, if he / she is not married or if there is no surviving spouse. This amount will be paid either at the time of marriage or after the marriage is solemnized.

VI. The surrenderee will be enrolled free of cost in short-term skill development programmes offered by the Central and State Governments in the district under applicable schemes. Subject to eligibility, he / she may also pursue vocational education of his / her aptitude in an ITI or Polytechnic. Counselling support, if required, will be provided through the Model Career Centre. A stipend of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) per month will be provided for a maximum period of 36 months. The stipend will be discontinued upon securing Government employment, placement after skill training, or any form of gainful self-employment. The Chief Development Officer, Zilla Parishad, and the District Skill Development-*cum*-Employment Officer will facilitate the surrenderee's skill development.

VII. The surrenderee will be provided with Health Card under Policy of the State Government or Central Government, which was adopted by the State Government on priority for treatment as per the provisions of the Policy.

VIII. The surrenderee will be provided with the free ration / subsidized ration under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY), Antyodaya Anna Yojana or any other similar Policy under implementation in the State under on priority subject to eligibility.

IX. **If the surrenderee carries on his / her head Reward Money declared by the Government, he/ she will be paid either the financial assistance, as defined in Para 8 (I) or the declared reward amount in the following scale, whichever is higher.**

SL No.	Rank	Amount Proposed
1	Central Committee Member / Politburo Member / Central Military Commission Member	Rs. 1.10 crore (Rupees One Crore Ten Lakhs)
2	State Committee Member (SCM) / Special Zonal Committee Member (SZCM)	Rs. 55.00 lakhs (Rupees Fifty five Lakhs)
3	Regional Committee Member (RCM / RCS)	Rs. 33.00 lakhs (Rupees Thirty three Lakhs)
4	Divisional Committee Secretary (DCS) / Commander of Military Platoon	Rs. 27.50 lakhs (Rupees Twenty-seven Lakhs fifty thousand)
5	Divisional Committee Member (DCM) / Dy. Commander of Military Platoon / Area Committee Secretary (ACS)	Rs. 22.00 lakhs (Rupees Twenty two Lakhs)
6	Commander, Local Organizing Squad (LOS) / Local Guerilla Squad (LGS) (ACM status)	Rs. 11.00 lakhs (Rupees Eleven Lakhs)
7	Dy. Commander, Local Organizing Squad (LOS) / Local Guerilla Squad (LGS) (ACM rank)	Rs. 5.50 lakh (Rupees Five Lakhs fifty thousand)
8	Member, Special Teams like Technical Team / Intelligence Team / Supply Team / Medical Team / Gana Natya Sangha & Central Regional Command (CRC)	Rs. 2.75 lakhs (Rupees Two Lakhs and seventy five Thousand)
9	Dalam members / cadres / Party Members	Rs. 1.65 lakhs (Rupees One Lakh and Sixty Five Thousand)

9. Cases of Couple surrender: If the surrendered naxals are husband and wife, they will be considered as separate units and both will be given the benefits of rehabilitation scheme for their rehabilitation, provided that, where under any prevailing scheme, there is a provision for the husband and wife to be treated as one unit, the benefits shall be given to them as one unit by considering them as separate units in relation to the prize money / cash reward declared on them.

10. Reversion to Extremism: The accrued assets shall automatically be forfeited to the State Government, in case the surrenderee reverts to extremist activities. These assets shall also be forfeited, if he / she is found to be secretly assisting the extremists. Decision

of the Government, regarding whether he is secretly assisting or not shall be final and cannot be challenged.

11. Custody of surrendered weapons: The Superintendent of Police / Deputy Commissioner of Police of the concerned district will be the custodian in respect of safe storage of weapons and ammunition surrendered by the naxalites.

12. Court Cases: Trial of heinous crimes committed by the surrenderee will continue in the courts. The State Government may consider withdrawal of prosecution on a case-to-case basis depending upon the antecedents and merits of the individual surrenderee. For minor offences, plea bargaining could be allowed at the discretion of the State Government. The State Government may also consider providing free legal services / advocate to the surrendered LWE cadres as per the Policy of the State Government. Fast Track Courts may be constituted by the State Government for speedy trial of cases against the surrenderees.

13. The provisions of the scheme may be effectively utilized. In case of any specific quality surrender wherein it is considered that higher amounts necessary beyond the stipulated limits, S&RO may send proposal separately to the Government for taking up the matter with Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, for consideration.

14. Date of effect of the Policy: The policy will come into effect from the date of notification and will be valid till the next modification / revision of the Policy, as notified by the State Government.

15. Timeline for implementation of the rehabilitation package: The process of screening and finalization of the Rehabilitation Package for the surrendered naxal shall be completed within 60 days from the date of surrender and the implementation of the rehabilitation package shall be within 180 days from the date of surrender.

16. The State Government may review the working of this scheme annually and may modify its provisions as considered necessary.

This Notification supersedes all earlier Notifications in this regard.

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